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FOR: LOAD-BEARING FRAME FOR A SHELF-STACKING  
DEVICE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Preliminary to the examination of this patent application,  
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims  
which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.